

The Office of Economic Impact and Diversity and the
Asian American Pacific Islander Network Present:

Asian American Pacific Islander

HERITAGE MONTH

“Unite Our Nation by Empowering Equality”

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Presidential Proclamation on Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, 2020

Issued on: April 29, 2020

Throughout our Nation's history, Americans of Asian and Pacific Islander descent have made significant contributions to every aspect of our society, from business and politics to literature and the arts. Their accomplishments have enriched our Nation and stand as a testament to the power of the American Dream. During Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, we celebrate the indelible mark these individuals have left on our culture and pay tribute to the myriad ways in which they continue to strengthen our Nation.

One story among many that exemplifies the values of intelligence, hard work, and determination that Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have contributed to our Nation is that of An Wang, a Chinese American and pioneer in electronics engineering who helped shape the tech revolution during the latter half of the 20th century as an entrepreneur and innovator. An exceptionally skilled inventor and forward-thinking businessman, Wang held 40 patents and founded Wang Laboratories, one of the most successful American technology companies during the 1980s. Wang Laboratories' products became essential equipment in offices throughout the United States, helping bolster a thriving American economy. Wang also generously gave back to his community, donating his time and resources to the arts, hospitals, higher education, and cultural institutions.

The United States also remains committed to strengthening our ongoing relationships with our Asian and Pacific partners. Last year, I was proud to stand alongside Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi at an event in Houston, Texas, and earlier this year I made my first official visit to India as a demonstration of our Nation's enduring friendship with one of the world's largest and most diverse countries. During this historic visit, I had the honor of speaking about the importance of the relationship between our two countries before more than 110,000 Indian citizens. The visit also reaffirmed that India and the United States are committed to building a comprehensive global strategic partnership grounded in shared interests and common purpose, benefitting both of our countries.

This month, we recognize the more than 20 million Americans of Asian and Pacific Islander descent who make irreplaceable contributions to our Nation's economy, security, and culture. We are especially grateful for those who have served and are currently serving in our Armed Forces, and those serving their communities as first responders. Together, we will continue to live out the promise of our founding and build a better future for all Americans.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONALD J. TRUMP, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim May 2020 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. The Congress, by Public Law 102-450, as amended, has also designated the month of May each year as "Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month." I encourage all Americans to learn more about those of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander heritage and to observe this month with appropriate programs and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-ninth day of April, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fourth.

DONALD J. TRUMP

Paul M. Dabbar

**Under Secretary for Science
U.S. Department of Energy**



The Honorable Paul M. Dabbar, Under Secretary for Science, serves as the Department's principal advisor on fundamental energy research, energy technologies, and science, driving this mission through programs including nuclear and high energy particle physics, basic energy, advanced computing, fusion, and biological and environmental research, and direct management over a majority of the Department's national labs and their world-leading user facilities. In addition, Mr. Dabbar manages the environmental and legacy management missions of the Department, addressing the U.S. legacy of nuclear weapons production and government-sponsored nuclear energy research. In addition, Mr. Dabbar is the lead for technology commercialization activities for the Department and its 17 national labs.

Prior to confirmation as Under Secretary for Science, Mr. Dabbar worked in operations, finance, and strategy roles in the energy sector. As a Managing Director at J.P. Morgan, leading various energy business areas, he has over \$400 billion in investment experience across all energy sectors including solar, wind, geothermal, distributed-generation, utility, LNG, pipeline, oil & gas, trading, and energy technologies, and has also led the majority of all nuclear transactions. In addition, he had a senior leadership role for the company's commodity trading business, including power, oil and gas.

Before joining J.P. Morgan, Mr. Dabbar served as a nuclear submarine officer in Mare Island, California, and Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, including deploying to the North Pole where he conducted environmental research. He also served on the Department of Energy Environmental Management Advisory Board. He has been a lecturer at the U.S. Naval Academy, and conducted research at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory. He is also a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Dabbar received a B.S. degree from the U.S. Naval Academy, and a masters degree from Columbia University. Mr. Dabbar and his wife, Andrea, are the parents of two children.

James E. Campos

**Director
Office of Economic Impact and Diversity
U.S. Department of Energy**



James E. Campos was nominated by President Donald J. Trump and confirmed by the United States Senate as the Director of the Office of Economic Impact and Diversity at the United States Department of Energy in April 2018. As Director, Mr. Campos is tasked with ensuring that minorities and underserved communities are afforded an equal opportunity to fully participate in Department programs. Mr. Campos also serves as the Department of Energy's Equal Employment Opportunity Director and Chief Diversity Officer. Additionally, Mr. Campos is the Department's designee on the White House Opportunity and Revitalization Council and the White House Council on Eliminating Barriers to Affordable Housing Development and other White House Interagency Initiatives.

Prior to joining the Department of Energy, Mr. Campos was the Senior Advisor on Economic Development & Strategic Planning to the President of Nevada State College. Over the span of his career, Mr. Campos held several Nevada Gubernatorial appointments to include: the Equal Rights Commission, the Governor's Workforce Investment Sector Councils on Gaming, Tourism & Entertainment and on Mining and Minerals, the Governor's Office of Economic Development's International Trade Council, the Taxi Cab Authority Commission, and the Commissioner of the Nevada Consumer Affairs Division. Also, Mr. Campos has been a small business owner and adjunct business professor.

Mr. Campos holds a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Science degree from the University of Maryland and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Glasgow in Scotland.

Dr. Thomas Zacharia

**Director
Oak Ridge National Laboratory
U.S. Department of Energy**



Thomas Zacharia, director of Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) since July 1, 2017, guides the application of an exceptionally broad set of core capabilities to the solution of compelling problems in science and technology, exploiting ORNL's signature strengths in materials science and engineering, high-performance computing and computational sciences, neutron science, and nuclear science and technology to deliver mission outcomes for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and other sponsors. Thomas oversees the operation of a high-power proton accelerator and a nuclear reactor, the execution of classified activities, and the management of a complex array of research facilities and construction projects. He also directs the development and execution of plans to ensure the future of the Laboratory, which employs more than 4,600 staff and has an annual budget exceeding \$1.6 billion.

Thomas first joined ORNL in 1987 as a postdoctoral researcher. Soon after accepting a staff position with the Laboratory's Metals and Ceramics Division in 1989, he established the Materials Modeling and Simulation Group and served as the group's leader until he was named director of the Computer Science and Mathematics Division in 1998. He served as Deputy Associate Laboratory Director for High Performance Computing from 2000 to 2001 and was named Associate Laboratory Director for the newly formed Computing and Computational Sciences Directorate in 2001. He led the creation of the Oak Ridge Leadership Computing Facility and the realization of DOE's goal of fielding the world's most powerful supercomputing system. Thomas also oversaw the establishment of the National Institute for Computational Sciences, a partnership of ORNL and the University of Tennessee that successfully delivered a petascale supercomputer for the National Science Foundation in 2008. Before being named director of ORNL, he served as Deputy for Science and Technology, overseeing all of the Laboratory's R&D programs.

Thomas holds a B.S. in mechanical engineering from the National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal, India, an M.S. in materials science from the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Mississippi, and a Ph.D. in engineering science from Clarkson University in Potsdam, New York. He holds two U.S. patents and is author or co-author of more than 100 publications. He was named a Fellow of the American Welding Society in 2005, elected a Corresponding Member of the International Academy of Astronautics in 2014, and named a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 2015.

Sean D. Reyes

Attorney General State of Utah



In 2013, at the age of 42, the Honorable Sean Reyes was appointed by Governor Gary Herbert as Utah's 21st Attorney General. Reyes took over an office racked with scandal and inefficiency in the midst of some of the most significant constitutional issues in state history. Within a year, he reorganized and re-energized the office internally and recaptured the trust of the State with striking leadership, innovative programs and historic wins against drug dealers, human traffickers, child predators, and white-collar criminals. After winning the election in 2014 by one of the largest margins nationwide, Reyes was selected in 2015 by the Republican National Committee as one of its four national rising stars.

After graduating summa cum laude from Brigham Young University in 1994, Reyes earned his law degree with honors from U.C. Berkeley in 1997. He practiced for nearly fourteen years at Parsons Behle & Latimer, the largest law firm in the State, where he became one of the first minority lawyers to make partner at a major Utah firm. While there, Reyes represented clients on some of the largest and most high profile litigation cases in the history of the State. He argued or briefed cases before state and federal courts throughout the country, including the Utah Supreme Court and Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals. He has been honored nationally and locally with a long list of awards for his legal skills, leadership and unparalleled commitment to public service and has founded and served multiple non-profit organizations.

The son of a Spanish-Filipino immigrant father, who fled the Marcos regime and a Japanese-Hawaiian mother, AG Reyes is Utah's first minority elected statewide. AG Reyes and his wife, Saysha, are the proud parents of 6 children. He is a former collegiate volleyball player and mixed martial arts fighter who enjoys speaking at Comic Cons, playing basketball, coaching his kids, dancing with Saysha, watching Sports Center, cooking, shooting guns and rapping on Bloomberg News.

Yumi Hogan

First Lady State of Maryland



Maryland's First Lady, Yumi Hogan, is the first Korean-American First Lady in the United States. Mrs. Hogan is a first-generation Korean-American, an accomplished artist, and an adjunct professor at Maryland Institute College of Art.

Mrs. Hogan grew up on a farm in the South Korean countryside as the youngest of eight children. She immigrated to the United States over 40 years ago, and raised her three daughters, Kim, Jaymi, and Julie, in Howard County.

In 2016, Mrs. Hogan received the Inspirational Leader Award from the International Leadership Foundation, which recognized her as a trailblazing political and community leader and a role model to the Asian-Pacific American community and all Americans.

Among other reputable recognition, Mrs. Hogan is the recipient of the 2017 Ellis Island Medal of Honor, a highly-prestigious, nationally-recognized award by the National Ethnic Coalition of Organizations, which recognizes her accomplishments in leadership and inspired service to the state and nation; all while maintaining the traditions of their ethnic heritage as they uphold the ideals and spirit of America.

Her artwork, created on traditional Hanji paper with Sumi ink and mixed media, has been featured in art shows and museums in Maryland, Virginia, the District of Columbia, South Korea and more, including an exhibit at the National Museum of Women in the Arts.

In addition to her work as an artist, Mrs. Hogan has juried numerous art exhibitions, including statewide and national competitions by the Maryland Federation of Art. In 2016, she served as jury chair for the new Concourse D Gallery at the BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport where artists from Maryland and Washington D.C. were selected to feature their work.

As First Lady, Mrs. Hogan has made it a priority to share her love of the arts with Marylanders of all ages through arts education. Since November 2015, Mrs. Hogan has served as the Honorary Chair of the Council for Arts and Culture at the University of Maryland, Baltimore, working with the University and Baltimore City to promote the arts.

Following Governor Hogan's diagnosis with Stage 3 non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma in 2015 and their family's battle with the disease, Mrs. Hogan has become a vocal advocate for cancer awareness and devoted much of her time to visiting Marylanders battling cancer, especially children, and their families. In 2016, Mrs. Hogan was recognized for her role as a caregiver and her work raising awareness with the Pheo Para Alliance's Dr. Cyrus Katzen Humanitarian Award.

Through her work teaching art classes to patients with cancer and people with disabilities, Mrs. Hogan has become a strong proponent of art therapy and the positive impact it can have on health and wellbeing. She plans to continue to support the arts community and work to bring the joy of art to all Marylanders.

Patricia A. Zarate

**Deputy Director
Office of Civil Rights and Diversity
U.S. Department of Energy**



Ms. Zarate has worked at the Department of Energy for eleven years. She currently serves as the Deputy Director for the Office of Civil Rights and Diversity.

In her capacity as Deputy Director, Ms. Zarate is responsible for formulating and executing equal employment opportunity (EEO) and diversity and inclusion policies and practices, overseeing the EEO complaint process and external civil rights monitoring and enforcement functions, and advising Departmental leaders, managers, and employees of their rights and responsibilities with respect to federal discrimination and harassment laws and regulations.

Prior to joining the Department, Ms. Zarate worked as a briefing attorney for the Honorable Nelda V. Rodriguez of the Texas Thirteenth District Court of Appeals.

Ms. Zarate graduated cum laude from St. Mary's University School of Law. She received her B.S.F.S. degree from Georgetown University. Ms. Zarate is licensed to practice law in the State of Texas and the District of Columbia.

Jaime Claudio

**Chief
Equity and Diversity Division
Office of Civil Rights and Diversity
U.S. Department of Energy**



Jaime Claudio brings over 35 years of federal government service to his new role as the Department of Energy's Chief of the Equity and Diversity Division. He serves as the primary lead for reviewing Headquarters and field site EEO programs and outcomes on behalf of the Deputy Director, Office of Civil Rights and Diversity. Additionally, he provides direction, supervision and guidance to the Equity and Diversity staff and field offices.

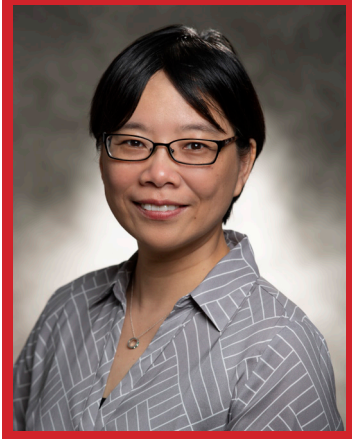
From 2011 until this year, Jaime was the EEO/Diversity Programs Manager for the Department of Energy Chicago Field Office which is now part of the Office of Science Integrated Service Center. Jaime has extensive knowledge in the areas of equal employment opportunity principles and laws, implementation of diversity and inclusion strategic plans and execution of special emphasis programs, as well as analysis related to underrepresented groups in the workplace and supervising the development and delivery of EEO and diversity and inclusion training.

Prior to joining the DOE, Jaime worked for the U.S. Postal Service in various local, regional and National capacities. Over his last 25 years with USPS, Jaime served as a Hispanic Program Specialist, Senior Diversity Programs Coordinator and National Human Capital Specialist.

Jaime holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Northern Illinois University.

Dr. Jian Fu

**Asian American Pacific Islander Network (AAPIN)
General Engineer
Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
U.S. Department of Energy**



Jian Fu currently serves as the Systems Integration Lead for Wind Energy Technologies Office (WETO) within the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy under U.S. Department of Energy. She oversees WETO's wind integration research portfolio and works closely with other DOE offices and national laboratories. Jian has been with DOE for over three years and holds a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering from Iowa State University. Prior to joining DOE, Jian had various private industry experiences including co-founding a start-up company and 12 years at Alstom Grid in Redmond, WA.

Dr. Abhijit Sengupta

**Asian American Pacific Islander Network (AAPIN)
General Engineer
Office of General Counsel
U.S. Department of Energy**



Dr. Abhijit Sengupta, originally hails from Calcutta, India. Since completing his graduate studies in the U.S., he has worked at various federal agencies including the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and U.S. Department of Transportation. Dr. Sengupta is currently a General Engineer in the Office of General Counsel. His specialization areas include nuclear waste, reactors, materials and manufacturing electric vehicles. He has authored several publications and federal government reports. In his spare time, he enjoys travelling to visit other states in the U.S. as well as abroad, exploring other countries. He also loves fishing, photography, and movies.



Department of Energy (DOE) Asian American Pacific Islander Network (AAPIN)

The Energy Asian American Pacific Islander Network is an official DOE affinity group. AAPIN provides opportunities for professional development and networking activities; serves as a resource and a means of communication for members, DOE, and other interested individuals or groups; and supports DOE in the development and implementation of programs to ensure inclusion and participation of AAPIs.

The AAPI community is extremely diverse, with a multitude of languages, cultures, and experiences. Recognizing and celebrating these differences will help unite our nation by empowering equality. Ensuring equality is a critical step towards creating a more equitable, fair, and productive organization.

AAPIN officers for 2020-2022 are Kerry Cheung, Arlene Fetizanan, Jian Fu, and Abhijit Sengupta.

To learn more or to get involved in AAPIN, contact AAPIN@doe.gov.

